

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

POLLUTION REPORT

I. HEADING

DATE: November 3, 1997

SUBJECT: Central Steel and Drum, Newark, Essex County,
New Jersey

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POLREP No: Five (5)

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	JR
Delivery Order No.:	2001-02-130
Response Authority:	CERCLA
ERNS No.:	N/A
CERCLIS No.:	NJD011482577
NPL Status:	Non-NPL
State Notification:	NJDEP notified
Action Memorandum Status:	Approved July 3, 1997
Start Date:	September 17, 1997
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

CERCLA Incident category: Other
Abandoned Drum Reconditioning/Recycling Facility

B. Site Description

The Site is located at 704-738 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, 07105. The Site is situated in an industrial area in the Iron Bound section of Newark and consists of a large manufacturing building located on 8.5 acres. Material located at the site includes: incinerator ash; flammable liquids; and caustics.

Refer to Polrep #1 for more detailed information.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Current Situation

All materials located at the Site have been sampled and analyzed. Waste categorization and segregation was completed. Cleaning up of ash from the buildings and floor trenches are on-going. Several small containers of paint and paint materials were lab packed.

2. Removal Action to Date

During the week of October 27, 1997, drum overpacking and debris clearing was completed. The paint vat was overpacked into drums. Tire piles were inspected for possible drums buried within the piles. Several small containers were found in the tire piles and the containers were placed in the lab pack. Transportation and disposal coordination has been initiated. All analytical received to date was reviewed and matched against chain of custody forms. Missing analytical was requested from the lab and received. A 5 point composite sample was taken of the ash pile composite sample of the ash pile was taken and sent for disposal analysis. Compilation of the drum logs and hazcat data sheets have been completed. The segregation of drums by waste group has been completed. The drums were stored in the cleaned-out building for protection from the weather. The scraping of soil in the building trenches was initiated.

3. Enforcement

The On-Scene Coordinator is currently working with the Program Support Branch, the office of Regional Counsel and the NJDEP to locate viable PRPs to recover clean-up costs.

B. Planned Removal Actions

The objective of this removal action is to eliminate the threat to public health, welfare and the environment caused by the materials abandoned at the Site. The removal action will include:

- 1.) Securing the Site.
- 2.) Inventory of materials located at the Site.
- 3.) Sampling and analysis of materials located on-site.
- 4.) Waste categorization.
- 5.) Transportation and disposal of all hazardous wastes in accordance with EPA's CERCLA Off-Site Disposal Policy.

The selected mode of transportation and method of disposal will be based on the analytical data.

C. Next Steps

Cleaning of sumps and trenches.

Pumping of UST's.

Transportation and disposal for all materials at the site to be coordinated.

D. Key Issues

None

V. Cost Information

The following information is estimated cost for the removal action as of October 31, 1997.

	Cost to Date
ERCS	\$101,300
START	\$ 8,200
EPA	\$ 6,000
Total	\$115,500

The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.